

## CLAIMS

The invention is claimed as follows:

1. A gaming device controlled by a processor, said gaming device comprising:
  - 5 a plurality of reels, each of said reels including a plurality of symbol positions;
    - 10 a plurality of symbols at the plurality of symbol positions on said reels, said symbols including at least one replicator symbol, wherein said replicator symbol includes at least two of the same symbols at a single symbol position on the reels; and
      - 15 at least one outcome adapted to be provided to a player when a winning symbol combination including at least one replicator symbol and at least one other symbol occurs at a plurality of designated symbol positions on the reels.
  - 15 2. The gaming device of Claim 1, wherein the designated symbol positions are determined by at least one of: a random determination, a pre-determination and a determination based on a wager made by the player.
  - 20 3. The gaming device of Claim 1, which includes a payline associated with the reels.
  - 25 4. The gaming device of Claim 3, wherein the designated symbol positions are on the payline.
  5. The gaming device of Claim 1, which includes a plurality of paylines associated with the reels.
  - 30 6. The gaming device of Claim 5, wherein the winning symbol combination occurs at a plurality of the designated symbol positions on the paylines.

7. The gaming device of Claim 1, wherein the winning symbol combination is determined by at least one of: a random determination, a pre-determination and a determination based on a wager made by the player.

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8. The gaming device of Claim 1, wherein the symbols include at least one bonus symbol.

9. The gaming device of Claim 8, which includes at least one 10 bonus outcome provided to the player when a winning symbol combination including said bonus symbol occurs on the reels.

10. The gaming device of Claim 9, wherein the bonus outcome includes at least one modifier.

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11. The gaming device of Claim 10, wherein the modifier includes a multiplier.

12. A gaming device comprising:

20 a plurality of reels including a plurality of symbol positions;

25 a plurality of symbols at the plurality of symbol positions on said reels, said symbols including at least one replicator symbol, wherein said replicator symbol includes at least two identical symbols at a single symbol position on the reels;

at least one outcome based on a winning symbol combination including at least one replicator symbol and at least one other symbol occurring on the reels; and

30 a processor operable to activate the reels, indicate a plurality of the symbols at the symbol positions on the reels and provide the outcome to the player when the winning symbol combination occurs at a plurality of designated symbol positions on the reels.

13. The gaming device of Claim 12, wherein the designated symbol positions are determined by at least one of: a random determination, a pre-determination and a determination based on a wager made by the player.

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14. The gaming device of Claim 12, which includes a payline associated with the reels.

15. The gaming device of Claim 14, wherein the designated symbol positions are on the payline.

16. The gaming device of Claim 12, which includes a plurality of paylines associated with the reels.

15 17. The gaming device of Claim 16, wherein the winning symbol combination occurs at a plurality of the designated symbol positions on the paylines.

18. The gaming device of Claim 12, wherein the winning symbol combination is determined by at least one of: a random determination, a pre-determination and a determination based on a wager made by the player.

19. The gaming device of Claim 12, wherein the symbols include at least one bonus symbol.

20. The gaming device of Claim 19, which includes at least one bonus outcome provided to the player when a designated symbol combination including said bonus symbol occurs on the reels.

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21. The gaming device of Claim 20, wherein the bonus outcome includes at least one modifier.

22. The gaming device of Claim 21, wherein the modifier includes a multiplier.

23. A method of operating a gaming device having a game operable upon a wager, the method comprising:

5 (a) activating a plurality of reels including a plurality of symbol positions, said reels including a plurality of symbols, said symbols including at least one replicator symbol, wherein the replicator symbol displays at least two of the same symbols at a single symbol position on the reels;

10 (b) indicating the plurality of symbols at the symbol positions on the reels; and

15 (c) providing an outcome to a player when a winning symbol combination including at one replicator symbol and at least one other symbol occurs at a plurality of designated symbol positions on the reels.

24. The method of Claim 23, which includes the step of determining the designated symbol positions by performing at least one of: a 20 random determination, a pre-determination and a determination based on a wager made by the player.

25. The method of Claim 23, wherein the step of providing the outcome to the player includes providing the outcome when the winning symbol combination occurs on a payline associated with the 25 reels.

30 26. The method of Claim 23, wherein the step of providing the outcome to the player includes providing the outcome when the winning symbol combination occurs in at least one symbol position on a plurality of paylines associated with the reels.

27. The method of Claim 23, which includes the step of determining the winning symbol combination by performing at least one of: a random determination, a pre-determination and a determination based on a wager made by the player.

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28. The method of Claim 23, which includes the step of providing at least one bonus outcome to the player when a winning symbol combination including at least one bonus symbol occurs on the reels.

10 29. The method of Claim 28, wherein the bonus outcome includes at least one modifier.

30. The method of Claim 29, wherein the modifier includes a multiplier.

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31. The method of Claim 23, wherein the steps (a) to (c) are provided to the player through a data network.

20 32. The method of Claim 31, wherein the data network is an internet.